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Gloria Loetscher's foray into cut flowers started out as an interesting sideline but has grown to a quarter of her nursery business. On six acres in Sabine Parish she grows a rainbow of flowering species for supermarkets and other retail outlets. Loetscher's landscape and cut flower businesses are part of a \$104 million nursery industry in Louisiana.

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Flower Farming for fun & profit

Fresh flower displays in large supermarkets have become as ubiquitous as produce sections. They lend an explosion of color to the surroundings, provide a high markup impulse item to express love and affection, and forestall a lot of grief for a forgetful husband in the early morning on Valentine's Day.

In northwest Louisiana, a good

portion of the fresh cut flowers sold in supermarkets come from Gloria Loetscher's Cottage Garden in Sabine Parish.

Area florists and wedding planners also enjoy the convenience and freshness of the blossoms at Loetscher's 12-acre farm in Many, not far from Toledo Bend Reservoir.

flower production, but we keep a little garden here near the nursery where we can let florists come in and pick what they want if they need something quick," Loetscher

Selling cut flowers is farming?

The attractive 39-year-old Loetscher says flower cultivation is no different from any other farming

"We have six acres in active cut

usual problems of labor issues, marketing, insects, irri- love. With the gation, state and and Loetscher's go out and fool federal regulations

> Delta. "It has its ups and downs. It's weather related," Loetscher said. "We have

from the largest

cotton farm in the

storms that will knock a lot of flowers down and really hurt us and freezes that will come up and ruin a particular crop.

"It is farming. We have tractors.

We have tillers. We have row mak-

ers. We plant the seed; we pull it

out. It's just like any other farming

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- Gloria Loetscher

"It's a crop that's harvested."

operation," Loetscher said.

Throw in the =

"Our biggest problems are the rows. We plant sunflower and zinnia seeds and the crows are digging them up. Aphids, cucumber beetles eat holes in the flowers before they open up and then they're no good to sell. We have regular problems just like any farmer," she said.

Loetscher's Cottage Garden's cut flower business makes up about 25 percent of her total production and dovetails nicely with her larger Water's Edge Nursery and Landscape business.

After local florists started buying

her cut flowers, she devoted more acreage to flower production.

"I started the cut flower operation as a complement to the retail business because I wanted to make this place a destination," explained

> Loetscher. "People my can come and see a little bit of everything. They can see flowers growing, they can cut them, they can use them."

A big boost came when Brookshire's grocery stores con**they** tracted with Cottage Garden to supply them with "certified Louisiana" cut flow-

"Being 'certified Louisiana grown' helps push the product," Loetscher said. "If a customer's in an Albertson's or Brookshire's looking at flowers and you see some that are just there and you see others that say 'grown in Louisiana,' I think it makes a difference on the choices a customer

"At first the Ag department said, 'We've never certified a flower grower," Loetscher recounted.

"I told them, 'I'm a farmer in Louisiana and I grow this locally and want to be certified.' It took them a little while but they ended

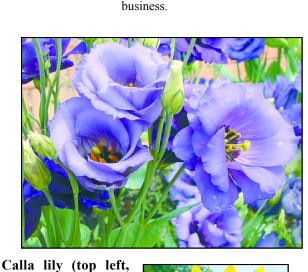
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clockwise), Gloria Loetscher cuts champagne lisianthus; other varieties at the Garden Cottage include sunflower, purple picotee lisianthus and mariachi blue lisianthus.







Loetscher's flower farm needs a mid-size Bush Hog tractor (left) for cultivation as well as a minitractor. Bouquets from The Cottage Garden are "Certified Louisiana." (below). A row of cosmos are preparing to bloom (right).









Loetscher and employee Barbara Savell inspect the day's harvest (above). The snapdragon harvest is usually over by June (above right). The Cottage Garden is the perfect complement for Loetscher's Water's Edge Retail Nursery.



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up certifying my flowers," Loetscher said with a satisfied smile

Loetscher carefully studies the economics of flower growing. The difficulty comes in matching what will grow in the area at what times of the year and what will sell.

"Snapdragons are a cool weather flower and are about gone by early June and the Florida gladiolas are so cheap we don't even try to sell them to florists, we just use them in our bouquets," she said. "We had people from the Tournament of Roses Parade in California looking for thousands of sunflowers in December. We could force them in a greenhouse but they called only two weeks ahead of time,"

Loetscher sighed.

Although Loetscher's business comes primarily from the nursery and landscaping (she did the landscaping at Cypress Bend Golf Resort on Toledo Bend and the Coushatta Grand Casino Hotel Resort in Kinder), her cut flower business holds a special place in her heart.

"This is my love. With the cut flowers I can go out and fool with flowers for hours and hours because they don't talk back. That's a great thing when you've had your fill of all the political, all the tax stuff and all the paper work. You can go out and think on your own. It's real peaceful for me."

Spoken like a true farmer.

Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Four Louisiana crawfish tailmeat processors and Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Bob Odom testified before the International Trade Commission (ITC) in mid-June in an effort to keep in place the antidumping tariff on imported Chinese crawfish tailmeat.

The four processors who testified were Gabe LeBlanc, Crawfish Processors Alliance in Henderson; Frank Randol, Randol's Seafood & Restaurant in Lafayette; Adam Johnson, Bayou Land Seafood in Breaux Bridge; and Terry Guidry, Catahoula Crawfish Inc. in Catahoula.

Every five years the tariff faces the Sunset Review process in which the ITC determines if damage to Louisiana's crawfish tailmeat industry will continue or increase if the tariff is lifted. The ITC will take a vote on the issue around July 14.

If the ITC finds that the tariff should remain on Chinese crawfish imports, then the U.S. Department of Commerce will set the tariff rate on future imports of Chinese crawfish tailmeat. The current tariff is 7.59 percent to 223.1 percent, with the majority of companies paying the 223.1 percent tariff.

"The tariff has created a more level playing field for our processors and has recovered some of the profits they lost in the 1990s. I feel confident that the ITC will find that lifting the tariff would really damage our crawfish industry and the

progress we have made," Odom said.

The current tariff remains effective until the middle of September. Odom said he doesn't expect a lapse between expiration of the old tariff and implementation of a new tariff.

In his testimony before the ITC, Odom said, "The crawfish sector is a vital part of the Louisiana economy and culture. The total impact of the Louisiana crawfish is estimated at over \$140 million. It is part of my job to ensure that Louisiana's crawfish businesses are given a fair opportunity to compete and thrive."

Odom also said his department has remained committed to securing benefits of the ITC's original antidumping order on Chinese crawfish tailmeat imports. "It has not been easy. Along the way we have succeeded in raising the 'normal value,' the benchmark price used by Commerce, by \$2 per pound. We have turned back attempts by so-called 'new shippers,' who were actually old shippers under new names, trying to obtain low duty rates secured by worthless bonds. And we have worked with Customs investigators to put down schemes of rerouting Chinese tailmeat through third countries in order to conceal the country of origin."

Roy Johnson, director of market development for the department, testified that all of these efforts were made to preserve the integrity of Louisiana's crawfish industry. "Imagine a three-legged stool. It needs all three legs to stand," Johnson said in his testimony. "It cannot stand on just one. Of the three major domestic crawfish products – live crawfish, fresh peeled tailmeat and frozen peeled tailmeat – the ability to produce and sell fresh and frozen tailmeat at a profit is essential to making the economics of our industry work."

In 2002, Louisiana had 1,135 crawfish farmers on 106,653 acres and another 1,068 wild crawfish fishermen, producing some 75 million pounds of whole crawfish with a farm value of \$57 million. With further processing, the crawfish industry is valued at more than \$140 million.

CATTLE

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Reg. Simm. & Simbrah bulls, polled, solid colors, wormed, all shots, very gentle, 8 mos.-2 yrs., \$550-\$1150/1. Harold Landreneau, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-0505.

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(21) Braford heifers, coming 2 yrs., all shots, gentle, exposed to LBW Braford bull, since March 1, \$750/1 or \$700/10 or more. Shane Trahan, Thornwell, 70549; (337) 587-2223.

(21) Mixed heifers, Braford & Char. cross, coming 2 yrs., exposed to LBW Braford bull, \$750/1 or \$700/10 or more. Keith Hornsby, Lake Arthur, 70549; (337) 658-5444

(10) Brangus heifers, coming 2 yrs., exposed to LBW Braford bull, \$750/1 or \$700/if all taken. M. Hornsby, Lake Arthur, 70549; (337) 658-5444.

Brangus bull, CBR Townsend Lucky, 3 yrs., excel. conform. & disp., LBW, \$1900; (5) Brangus x Hereford heifers, 17-18 mos., bred to LBW Brangus for Spring '04 calves, vacc. & dewormed, \$925/1. John Mailhes, Keithville, 71047; (318) 925-0898.

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Reg. Char. bull 4 yrs., \$1500; Char. bull, 1 yr.-15 mos., \$800/1-

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2002 AQHA cremello stallion, Doc Bar, Sport Model & Blondy Dude bred, dbl. dilute gene, breed your sorrel mare & get a pal., guaranteed, \$2500. Jane Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

2002 Pal. stallion, Doc Bar, Blondy Dude & King bred, 4th generation dilute gene, should mature to 16 hands, except. disp. & conform., \$2500. Mike Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

2002-2003 AQHA gorgeous foundation weans. & yrlgs., many to choose from, cremello, blk., pal. & buckskins, Doc Bar, Sport Model & Handcock bred, \$1200/1-up. Anthony Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA 15 mo. gelding bay, Zips Chocolate Chip, Boston Mac, Doc Bar, lots of champs. in his bloodline, \$1500 neg.; AQHA 17 mo. roan filly, Sugar Bars, Two-Eyed Jack, Chocolate Convoy, \$1500, both are halter broke, trailer loads, easy handle, stands for farrier. J. R. Thompson, Springfield, 70462; (225) 294-7976.

AQHA mares & colts by Snorty Lena, Dulces Peppy & Doc Sugs, Sonita's Last, Tenino San bloodlines, \$1500/1-up. Charles Champagne, Cut Off, 70345; (985) 632-3389.

Reg. Peruvian Paso geld., '98, turning black, green, but well gaited, tall & flashy, 2-rear socks, \$1950. Carol Thoerig, Covington, 70435; (985) 893-8161.

Reg. Peruvian Paso stallion, '91, true black, very long mane tail & forlock, a gentleman, \$2400. C. Thoerig, Covington, 70435; (985) 893-8161.

(2) '01 AQHA bay stallions, dbl. bred Peppy San Badger, Doc O'Lena, Doc Sugs, Doc Bar, Tangery Gin, Captain Joker, started under saddle, \$2000/1; 18 yr. kid's pal. geld., all can ride, \$2000. Dean Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

2003 Weans. & 2 yrs., all colors & riding horses, Peppy San Badger, Doc O'Vegas Boy, Doc O'Lena, Dry Doc, Peppy San, Doc Sugs, Freckles Playboy, Peponita, Cactus Ben bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. Debra Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

1984 Reg. AQHA gelding, sorrel, w/red roan neck & chest, very distinctive markings, good disp., 15.2 hands, used for trail riding, \$950. C. R. Babin, Baton Rouge, 70810; (225) 753-6827.

2003 stud colts, King top & bottom, yrlg. Pal. stud, \$1500/1; gelds., 3 & 4 yrs. avail., will consider trades for King mares. Danny or Dee Newman, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 730-6622.

3/N/1, 7 yr. paint w/point filly at side, rebred to blk./wh. TW paint, \$1000; (2) yrlg. fillies, high brood, \$2000/1; (1) 7 yr. broodmare w/colt at side & rebred to a winner, 3/N/1, \$2500. L. Miller, Scott, 70583; (337) 234-3464.

2003 Pal. colt, ½ QH, ½ Welch, \$600; '03 buckskin filly, ½ QH, ½ Belgian, \$1000; '03 chestnut filly, ¾ QH, ¼ Belgian, \$800; '03 blk./wh. paint filly, ½ APHA, ½ Belgian, \$1500. Ben Baggett, Mittie, 70654; (337) 639-2086.

2002 blk./wh. paint filly, ½ APHA, ½ Belgian, \$2500; '98 Belgian mare, works & rides, \$4500; '99 spotted draft mare, works & rides, bred to Percheron, \$5000. B. Baggett, Mittie, 70654; (337) 639-2086.

1999 sorrel AQHA mare, super handle, excel. all around horse, \$3500. Lisa Topham, Patterson, 70392; (985) 399-6879.

AQHA mare, granddaughter of Doc O'Lena, Puddenhead, Sugar Bars on bottomside, bred to own son of Bob Acer Doc, 12 yrs., \$4000. Kaylee Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452.

AQHA geld., own son of Mr. Jess Perry, Panama Gold bottom, great barrel prospect, great conform., rides good, 6 yrs., \$7500. Janiece Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452.

AQHA cutting mare, has C.O.A. & money won on her, Doc Bar topside, Doc Quixote bottom, solid & sound mare, ready to show, \$15,000. Rudy Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452.

AQHA 2 yr. colt, own son of Starlight Joy, great head & conform., ready to break & start, flashy colt, \$7500. Clint Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452.

(2) Reg. AQHA sorrel gelds., ranch horses, w/excel. handle, gentle enough for anyone to ride, Gay Bar King, Rey Del Rancho, Hiredhand's Cardinal bloodlines, \$2500/1-up. Marvin Marmande, Jr., Theriot, 70360; (985) 868-2312.

7 Yr. chestnut mare, App/QH, good looking, & gentle, 14.2 hands, 1100 lbs., tracking cattle & trail riding, \$1650. Shannon Richoux, Thibodeaux, 70301; (985) 868-7138.

1999 AQHA sorrel geld., El Primo, El Rey RoJo, Puddenhead, Tee Pudden bloodlines, great disp., 2 mos. pro training, started team roping, heading, \$2800. Mike Miniex, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-2796.

1992 AQHA reg. sorrel mare, Doc Bar bred, works cows, \$1500; '89 AQHA reg. Pal. mare, Investor/Continental bred, used as broodmare, rides, \$1500. R. Nix, Mandeville, 70072; (800) 375-4728.

2002 AQHA reg. pal. filly, sire: Skipa Gold Streak, \$1500; '02 AQHA reg. sorrel stud colt, sire: Caans Ebony Image, dam: Investor/Continental, \$1500. Ralph Nix, Mandeville, 70072; (800) 375-4728.

2000 APHA stallion, own son of world champ. Master Piece, \$6000; broodmares, foundation bloodlines, in foal, 2003 fillies & stud, beautiful, great disp. & conform., \$800/1-up. Cheryl Smith, Fields, 70653; (337) 786-3617.

3 yr. stud colt, dbl. bred Poco Bueno & 2 yr. Grulla filly, \$2500 & \$1750/1. Harvey Moore, Pitkin, 70654; (318) 358-5314.

1991 AQHA chestnut mare, w/Cutter Bill, Three Bars & Peppy bloodlines, excel. disp, for any rider, \$3500. Thomas Laing, Vivian, 71082; (318) 223-4390.

2000 AQHA chestnut gelding., dbl. bred, Three Bars, Cutter Bill, Peppy & Chicarro bloodlines, \$4000. Barbara Laing, Vivian, 71082; (318) 223-4390.

AQHA 4 mo. chestnut filly, good conform., dbl. bred Three Bars, Cutter Bill, Peppy & Chicarro bloodlines, \$3000. Buddy Laing, Vivian, 71082; (318) 223-4390.

AMHR mini horses, new foals & mares avail., \$500/1-up. Cynthia Britton, Zachary, 70791; (225) 658-9293 or http://www.members.cox.net/melissaquackenbush/my mini horses.htm.

3/N/1 package, 1985 AQHA broodmare, granddaughter of Mr. San Peppy, outstanding April colt by Colonel Bar Glo by Colonel Freckles, bred back to same,

\$6500/all. Marvin Corley, Calhoun, 71225; (318) 396-5300.

TWHBEA 4 yr. gorgeous blk. & wh. stud, great temperament, excel. trail horse, \$5000, firm. Tommy Gates, Pineville, 71360; (318) 445-9122.

2000 APHA sorrel mare, by Dandy Scribbles x Nureyev Rule, has had lots of show work, good handle, good disp., ready to do whatever you want, \$1200. M. Hayden, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 448-1893.

Mustang geld., 8 yrs., gentle, easy kept, ridden on trail rides & to work cattle, \$1000. Rusty Reeves, Reeves, 70658; (337) 666-2603.

1989 Reg. Arab. bay mare Task/Bask bloodlines, w/3 mos. reg. ½ Arab., ½ QH stud colt at side & bred back to reg. overo paint stallion, both are sweet, 3/N/1 package, \$1500. Lesley Coleman, Montgomery, 71454; (318) 646-0773 or (318) 646-0127 or (318) 419-1325.

Reg. pb Arab. stallions, mares, colts & fillies, Egyptian/Spanish bloodstock, Ibn Halima, Morafic, Kabull, Barich de Washoe bloodlines, \$1500/1-up. Jeff Dupre, Washington, 70589; (337) 585-2642.

Dbl. reg. blk./wh. gaited stud, 6 yrs., proven sire, hip injury prevents showing, sweet natured, easy breeder, saddle work started, breeding & pleasure only. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 585-2642 or (337) 351-3815.

8 yr. bay mare, 15 ½ hands, used for trail ride & cattle, in foal for March '04 to grandson of Gay Bar King, \$1500 obo. Jamie Miller, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 506-3993

4 yr. reg. QH bay geld., Doc Bar, Dry Doc, Leo, Waggoner, foundation breeding, super gentle, ropes, pulls, stout & strong, no vices, \$5000. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 652-6200.

APHC reg. App. twins, born 5/2/03, dun filly w/few spots, sorrel colt w/snowcap, imprinted, handled daily, \$1000/1. Kurt Hummel, West Monroe, 71291; (318) 396-3344.

7 yr. QH geld., sorrel, w/wh. blaze, 30 days training, excel. trail or fun show horse, very sweet, no bad habits, \$1500. Margie Calderone, Bush, 70431; (985) 886-0507 or (985) 516-6100.

2002 AQHA stud colt, out of Strait Silver, (\$46,000 roping stud from the 6666's) excel. conform. & disp., \$2000. Wayne Mouch, Addis, 70710; (225) 353-6100.

Blue paper MFT mare, 8 yrs., golden pal., w/wh. tail & mane, trail horse before broodmare, produced (2) pal. colts, \$2500. Felix Brown, Bastrop, 71220; (318) 281-9339.

(2) Percherons, (1) mare & (1) geld., worked together since birth w/covered wagon & (2) harness sets, \$6000. Donnie Irey, Rosepine, 70659; (337) 463-3019.

AQHA weans, yrlgs. & horses, foundation & performance bred, Poco Bueno, Hollywood Gold, Zan Parr, Peppy San, Puddenhead & more, \$1000/1-up. J. M. Browning, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3627.

Yrlgs. Smart Lil Lena, Colonel Freckles, Handle Bar Doc, Gay Bar

King, Extra Fancy, great movers, awesome prospect for cutting or performance, \$1500. Kathy Simoneaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-1880.

Reg. ½ Arabs., almost twins, 1 yr. filly & 2 yr. geld., both jet blk., w/wh. star, full brother & sister, very gentle, English or Western prospect, \$1500/1 or \$2600/both. T. Monaghan, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 665-8949.

Paint mare, w/paint filly at side, 8 yrs., unreg. & gentle, \$2000. Paul Harrison, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7780.

AQHA proven son of Special Effort, fillies & colts, 1-3 yrs., out of Blondy's Dude mares, all horses microchipped, \$750/1-up. Butch Martin, Braithwaite, 70040; (504) 682-2467.

1998 AQHA bay mare, gentle to ride, Doc O'Lena, Van Flit Bar, Bonita Tetena, Va Quero Chip breeding, \$1500. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves, 70658; (337) 666-2798.

Miniature horses, AMHA colts, stallions, fillies & mares, \$800/1-up, package deal. Karin Santangelo, Lakeland, 70752; (225) 627-4164 or (225) 291-9999.

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STALLION SERVICE

AQHA pal., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

Blk. & wh. App., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

APHA homozygous blk./wh. stallion, '98 Miss. grand champ. in halter, guaranteed paint, good conform., \$250/\$5 mare care. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

1982 Absolutely gorgeous sorrel stallion, a rare own grandson of Blondy's Dude, foundation bred, lots of cow sense, \$300/\$5 mare care. Anthony Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

1998 Pal. stallion, Doc Bar bred, 15.3 hands, 90% foundation, 3rd generation dilute gene, produced 100% dilute color for '02, exceptional disp. & conform., \$350/\$5 mare care. Mike Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

1995 APHA blk./wh. tobiano/overo, pro trained for W. Pleasure, gorgeous head w/outstanding disp., \$250/\$5 mare care. Jane West, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA pal. stud, Sport Model breeding, gorgeous head, produces tanks w/color, come see his babies, \$500/\$5 mare care. Jane Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

APHA homozygous for tobiano & paint babies, Skip-N-King, blk./wh., reg. mares, \$350; grade mares, \$250. Beverly Bertrand, Branch, 70516; (337) 684-3028 or (337) 580-0161.

AQHA pal., own grandson of Hollywood Go, out of triple "A" running mare, 5 Roms, 300+points, \$600. Danny or Dee Newman, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 730-6622.

Reg. American saddle bred stallion, blk. & wh. tobiano pinto, Ch. Wing Commander, Ch. Broadlands, Captain Denmark bred, \$400/\$5 mare care. David Malone, Sr., Quitman, 71268; (318) 259-3836.

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AKC reg. Labs, dam & sire, he is a 4 yr. Yellow & she is a 3 yr. Chocolate, they produced (9) Chocolate pups a yr., \$1000/pr. Trey Gaspard, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-6610.

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Young pb Katahdin males, no papers, \$50/1. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4094.

Mixed breed brush goats, all sizes, male, \$25/1; females, \$30/1. Karen Coker, Glenmora, 71433; (318) 748-7878.

Percentage Boer nannies, all dehorned, \$75/1. R. Richard, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-6264.

100% Boer goat billies, \$250/1-up; percentage Boer nannies & billies, \$75/1-up. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 735-9671.

(10) Katahdin sheep, (6) ewes, 2-3 yrs., bred, (4) young ewes, 6 mos., \$75/1 or \$700/all. Luke Begnaud, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-3726.

NDGA young billies, (1) breedable age, \$100/1. Cynthia Britton, Zachary, 70791; (225) 658-9293, www.members.cox.net/melissaquackenbush/my_mini_horses.htm

Reg. 100% Boer buck, 3 yrs., son of 2000 ABGA champ. Lyle, \$1500. Jody Galley, Lake Charles, 70605; (337) 480-1375.

Small herd brush goats, gentle, easily kept fenced, \$40/1. I. L. Campbell, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-5879.

Reg. Boer billy, 100%, kids to show, \$275; % Boer nannies, some bred, some w/kids, \$100/1-up. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

Pb Katahdin sheep, white, some red, (3) ewes, \$150/1; (1) herd buck, \$150; (14) yrlg., female, \$75/1; male, \$50/1. Larry LeJeune, Iota, 70543; (337) 779-3304.

85" Boer goat billy, \$30; 50% Boer goat nannies, kids, \$65; Spanish nannies, \$40. William Gibson, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 472-6227.

Katahdin sheep for sale, reg. '03 ewe & ram lambs, Katahdin-Barbado cross lambs, \$50-\$100/1. Randy Fontenot, Sunset, 70584; (337) 668-4233.

Wanted: female pygmy goats. Bernard Darbonne, Pollock, 71467; (318) 765-9415.

SWINE

#1 Hogs 200-260 lbs., grain fed, \$100/1-up; feeder pigs, \$25/1-up; baby pot bellies, \$30. Cindy Smith, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 735-9671.

York Boers, \$250, Feb, CEO x Slam Duck in pedigree, muscle butt & lean, March show pigs, \$125/1-up; gilts, \$175, plenty to choose from. Don Woodman, Elmer, 71424; (318) 793-2532.

Feeder/wean. pigs, weaning to 200 lbs., corn fed on concrete, \$35/1-up. J. B. Richard, Scott, 70583; (337) 269-1755.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Gouldians, \$115/pr.; orange cheeks, \$20/1; spice, \$12/1; orange weavers, \$10/1; zebras, \$7/1; societies, \$5/1. Daniel Chauvin, Houma, 70364; (985) 876-7966.

Canaries, red factor, \$50/1. Jimmy Jarreau, Prairieville, 70769; (225) 622-1781.

Green cheek, \$100/1; sun conure, \$250/1; Alexandria, \$250/1. Joseph Boone, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-2898.

Beautiful dbl. yellow-head Amazon, proven breeders, \$1000/pr.; S.S. male Quaker breeders, 2 yrs., \$80/1. M. Duckett, Metairie, 70003; (504) 887-8887.

Gouldian finches, normals, \$115/pr.; yellows & blues avail., societies, \$5/1, 5-9 p.m. best time

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White-bellied caique, beautiful, healthy male, was paired but lost mate to egg bound, \$350. Tommy Smith, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-2870.

Female umbrella cockatoo, \$750; male blue-crown conure, \$200; breeder parakeets, \$10/1; lovebirds, \$25/1; hf cockatiels, \$30/1. C. Broussard, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-6745.

B & G proven pr., \$1800; bonded, \$1000; DYH proven pairs, \$1350; baby DYHs, \$400/up; Quaker prs., not proven, \$275. Jan or Choyia Hunt, Leesville, 71446; (337) 238-0084 or birdsnthings@yahoo.com.

Ringneck doves, normals & wh., \$7.5 & \$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$40/pr. Thomas Rowell, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-5729.

Cockatiels, hf, \$75/1. Robert Legendre, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5923.

Doves, ringnecks, \$5/1; pieds, \$6/1; wh. & tangerine, \$7/1; proven prs., \$20/1-up. J. Roy Bernard, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8619.

Quakers, hf, \$150/1; cockatiels, hf, \$35/1-up. Bob Yarbrough, Church Point, 70525; (337) 668-4765.

(1) Green & (1) lutino, 9 mos., ringnecks, \$125/both, also young baby lutino ringnecks. Adam Verrett, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 384-0486.

Mitred conure pr., \$495; cherry-headed conure pr., \$450; javas, \$20-\$25/1; lovebirds, many colors, peach-faced, violets & mask, \$25/1-up; button quail, \$7/1. Becky LaFleur, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-1625.

Indian ringneck parakeets, green/blue, \$65/1; green/yellowhead fallow, \$250/1; 1 yr. turquoise or creamino, \$150/1; Alexandrians, \$175/1; violet-dark green, \$1000/1; violets, \$2000/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

(10) Gouldian finches, \$40/1, if all taken; parrolets, blues, yellows, \$200/1; splits, \$100/1. Gloria Monks, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-6600.

Mated pair of cockatiels, male pied & female pearl, w/cage & nesting box, \$150. Bernard Darbonne, Pollock, 71467; (318) 765-9415.

(15) Peach-faced lovebirds, (7) mature birds, (8) babies, \$15/1, w/nest box, must buy all (15); (15) zebra finches, \$5/1, cash only. Joseph Hains, Jr., New Orleans, 70126; (504) 241-0245.

Sears wood cabinet incubator, by David Bradley, 6 trays, 3 oakes mfg brooders, set up for quails, \$350. Buford Landreneau, Washington, 70589; (337) 363-8095.

PIGEONS

Modena pigeons, all colors, \$5/1; \$10/pr. Leo Augustine, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-7299.

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

Wood ducks, \$30/pr.; silver teal, \$150/pr.; flying mallards, \$3-\$8/1. Mike Yglesias, Greenwell Springs, 70739; (225) 262-0954.

Turkeys, large adult bronze males, \$15/1. Marilyn Clark, Grosse Tete, 70740; (225) 648-2304.

Old English B.B. red bantam chicks, small stock, \$1.5/1-up. J. LeBleu, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5619.

Peacocks, blk. shoulder, whites, spaulding & blue pied, 2-3 yrs., \$75-\$100/1; peachicks '03 hatch, \$25-\$35/1. Harves George, Flatwoods, 71427; (318) 793-4384.

Peacocks, 1 yr., (2) males, (1) female, \$75/1 or \$200/3. Lloyd Matherne, Pierre Part, 70339; (985) 252-9222.

Bantam chicks, red jungle fowl, blk. sumatras, Egyptian fayoumis, Sicilian buttercups, all pb, \$1.75/1-up. Gloria Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-1490.

Old English game bantams, \$2/1-up; game chickens, \$3/1-up. William Tucker, New Iberia, 70560; (337) 367-1621.

Silkie chicks, \$3/1; assorted buttonquail, \$3/1; red golden, yellow golden & lady Amherst chicks, \$5/1-up. Ron Tillery, Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 448-2999.

Pharaoh quail eggs, call to make order, \$25/100; young pharaoh quails, laying well, approx. 10 wks., \$3/1; small babies, 2 wks., \$75¢/1. Robert Legendre, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5923.

Baby buttonquail male & female, \$8/1, \$14/pr.; baby finches, \$7/1; \$12/pr. T. Holton-Slaughter, Baker, 70714; (225) 654-6898.

(12) Mallard ducks, male & female, full grown, \$10/1 or \$8/1 if all taken. Bernadine Alexander, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-7427 or (337) 485-4010.

Baby muscovy ducks, \$3/1. W. Vetsch, New Orleans, 70124; (504) 482-2662.

English caller ducks, grays, 2002 Rapides Parish 4-H champs., \$5/1-up. Dean Gunter, LeCompte, 71346; (318) 776-9235.

Araucana pullets, 4 mos., \$5/1. C. Hamilton, Westlake, 70669; (337) 436-9950.

Red jungle fowl, roosters, pb, \$10/1; silkie x JF roosters, \$6/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

Peacock chicks, \$15/1; silkie chicks, \$3/1; tri white peacocks, (1) male, (2) females, \$175/1; Rhode Island hens, laying, \$8/1. Cooper Allen, Walker, 70785; (225) 665-6068.

(5) Kinds of pb bantams, \$5/roosters; \$7/hens; male mallards, \$5/1. Bernard Darbonne, Pollock, 71467; (318) 765-9415.

DEER & EXOTICS

Rocky Mt. elk, male or female, 1-3 yrs., \$1000/1-up. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

Buffalo for sale: (2) 2 yr. heifers, (1) yrlg. heifer, (2) yrlg. bulls, \$450-\$650/1 or \$2500/all. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5556.

Axis deer, adult females, \$250/1; whitetail babies on bottle, off of Penn state does & La. buck, \$500/1-up. Roland Pesson, Lake Charles, 70607; (337) 725-4998 or (318) 477-1283.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Bass, 60 e/1; bluegill, 20 e/1; crappie, 30 e/1; Chinquapin, 30 e/1; catfish, 20 e/1; hybrids, 25 e/1; carp, \$9/1; minnows, \$8/lb. del. avail. Frank Book, Shreveport, 71107; (318) 929-4251.

Bluegill 20¢/1; hybrid bluegill, 25¢/1; Chinquapin, 25¢/1; channel catfish, 20¢/1; bass, 50¢/1; koi, 50¢/1-up, del. David Lowe, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-1525.

Aluminum 15' catfish boat, w/40 hp Mercury & trailer, \$1100. Michael Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 369-8020.

New crawfish boat, 25 hp, Kohler motor, 55 hrs., \$9000. Charles Ponthier, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8490.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Ped./Non ped. seed stock, New Zealand whites & mini rexes, \$10/1. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693.

San Juan rabbits, raised on grass & feed, \$8/1. Lloyd Matherne, Pierre Part, 70339; (985) 252-9222.

Pedigree Flemish giant, Dutch, standard rex, mini rex, San Juan, New Zealand & others, \$6/1-up; redworms, \$10/lb. plus postage. Gary McClure, Jackson, 70748; (225) 654-6877.

New Zealand white FR-1000 also Californian, fryers or breeding stock, \$6/1-up. Van Deshotels, Dry Creek, 70637; (337) 328-7130.

Wanted: rabbits, preferable, New Zealands, Californias & mix breeds, 8 lbs. & up. Wade Rodi, Braithwaite, 70040; (504) 682-0726.

RATITES

Rhea, gray male breeder, \$50. Roger Maduell, Amite, 70422; (985) 747-8310.

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BEES/HONEY

Complete beekeeping operation, (4) hives, no bees, (2) extractors, lots of equipment & materials, too much to list, \$1100. Carl Reece, Gilliam, 71029; (318) 222-8400 or (318) 296-4296.

Honey for sale, \$6/qt., or \$20/gal., 3:30-7:00 p.m. weekdays, all day Sat. & Sun. Danny Head, Baton Rouge, 70818; (225) 261-8510.

Bee boxes, (2) extractors, lots of equipment & materials, too much to list, \$500. C. D. Todd, Elmer, 71424; (318) 659-4231.

Wanted: (1) or (2) hives of bees, for pollination of an organic garden. Willie Provost, Sr., Baker, 70714; (225) 775-5851.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer. broker or salesman."

Red River Parish, 110 acres, home, barns, improved pastures, ponds, fenced, cross-fenced, can be divided, \$220,000. David Williams, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 932-4482.

Terrebonne Parish, 700-acre ranch, large brick home, 4 br, 3 bath, 2 barns, hundreds of acres for development, can run 500 cattle & make hay, \$1,900,000. Robert Neil, Houma, 70361; (985) 594-5851.

10 acres, located 4 miles east of Eunice, \$5500/acre. Nelan or Joyce McDaniel, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-5900 or (337) 457-7148.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Gourds, large birdhouse, dipper & cushaw, crookneck, green stripe, \$1.5/30 seeds, w/SASE. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, La., 70570; (337) 407-

New crop Dutch hybrid amaryllis seeds, dark red, pink, white & orange, \$2/20 seeds, w/SASE. Arthur Becnel, 14123 Hwy. 23, Belle Chasse, 70037; (504) 656-2424.

Platted string of garlic, 24 heads, \$8; evergreen shallot seed, \$1.5/lb. Paul Troxclair, Plaquemine, 70764; (225) 545-3739.

Cast iron plants, \$4/gal., at place. Dan Montz, Jr., Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 446-1805.

Cowhorn okra seed, longhorn variety, \$5/lb. Gerald Cox, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4473.

New Texas red star, large pink hibiscus, long handle dipper, bushel

& orn. spoon gourds, purple bicolor 4 o'clock, purple pincushion, Guatemalan purple vine, \$1.5/pkt. w/SASE. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

Blk. seeded simpson lettuce, Arkansas traveler tomato, \$1/pkt. w/SASE. Eric Trahan, 140 Topping Road, Lafayette, 70506; (337) 654-5900

Wanted: seeds from Paulownia Tomentosa tree, common names elephant ears tree, Chinese sapphire dragon, Japanese pagoda, call collect. Annette Laycock, Houston, TX, 77047; (713) 433-5203.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Pecan trees, Elliott & Sumner, 2 yrs., 10-gal., \$30/1; cypress & river birch 3-gal., \$6/1. James Robin, Sr., Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Fig trees, 2 yrs., \$9.5/2-gal., at place, 8 varieties, SASE for list. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188

Southern magnolia, Japanese plum, wax myrtle, dwarf pomegranate, Japanese yew, \$10/3-gal.; celeste fig, \$6/3-gal.; flowering maple, lemon grass, \$5/1-gal.; monkey grass, \$1/3 qt.; amaryllis red, \$2 bulb. James Stelly, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4528.

Green Ishia, honey dew & celeste figs, \$6/1; Jap. plums, \$2/1-up; umbrella chinaberry trees, \$5-\$10/1; white cling & yellow freestone peach, \$5-\$10/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-

Mayhaw trees, fruited varieties, Mexican plum, red mulberry, Chickasaw plum, crabapple, catalpa, native magnolia, burr oak, \$7-\$25/1. Kent Benton, Livingston, 70754; (225) 686-0248.

Asian persimmon trees, non-astringent varieties, seruga, fuyu gaki, native Virginiana wild, 4-gal, \$10/1. Cynthia Becnel, Belle Chasse, 70037; (504) 656-3375.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

2002 Black diamond watermelon, ready 6/20/03 picking, U-pick, \$2.5/melon. Wayne Ward, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3389 or (318) 576-9913, 179erma@bellsouth.net.

Blueberries, U-pick, \$1.5/lb.; we-pick, \$3/lb. James Robin, Sr., Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

FERTILIZER

Horse manure, you load, \$1/all. Linda Helo, Crowley, 70526; (337) 788-4002.

HAY & GRAIN

Square bale hay, large, Bahia & Alicia Burmuda mix, in barn, no weeds or rain, \$3.5. Marie Smith, Roseland, 70456; (985) 748-5779.

2003 Fertilized clover & grass hay, baled w/out rain, \$2.75/1; older hay, \$1.5/1. Harold Loewer, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4487.

Alicia/Bahia/Triflon 44, 2003 round bales, well fertilized, hauling avail., \$18-\$37.5/1. Wayne Ward, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3389 or (318) 576-9913, or 179erma@bellsouth.net.

2003 Bahia & Jiggs Bermuda 4' x 6' round bales, \$20/Bahia, \$30/Jiggs, will del. \$5/bale. Donald Crawford, Broussard, 70518; (337) 989-9675.

Bahia, 1st cut, \$2.5/1; Alicia, pure, \$3.5/3, behind baler; wheat straw, \$2.5/1, you load; Bahia 5' x 5' rd. bales, \$25-\$30/1, volume discounts given. David Fontenot, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4334 or (337) 363-3523.

Bahia bay, 5' x 5' rd. bales, well fertilized, no rain, in shed, \$35/1; 5' x 5' Bahia outside on pallets, \$25/1. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

2003 Jigs Bermuda 4' x 5' round bales, fertilized & sprayed, no rain, in shed, \$20/1. Gayland LeBlanc, Lake Arthur, 70549; (337) 774-3526.

Homemade cattle feed, 12% protein, 50 lb. sacks, \$166-\$188/ton. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6088.

Kansas Alfalfa hay, horse quality, \$8/1 or \$7.5/1 for 50 bales or more. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71060; (318) 894-9586.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

Tiller 5', 3 pt. hitch, used once, \$500 obo. James A. Robin, Sr., Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Yellow & wh. 154 Cub lowboy, needs work, \$700. Bradley Forbes, Pride, 70770; (225) 658-5416.

JD 9910 2-row cotton picker, green top, recent head overhaul, \$3,500; 40' spray boom, 3 pt. hitch, \$200; 6-row cult., fenders, overhead & middle spray, \$300. Judy Green, Rayville, 71269; (318) 728-6966.

95R JD combine, fixer-upper, or parts, w/spare parts, \$300; 6-row rolling cult., w/sweeps for middles, \$500; 6-shank sub-soiler, 40" centers, \$300; 6-row crop maker w/20" sweeps & spray, \$300. Percell Green, Jr., Rayville, 71269; (318) 728-6966.

JD 4630 cab trac., 150 hp, new a/c, good cond., runs great, \$13,500, nego. Bill Townson, Florien, 71429; (318) 586-3966.

1973 JD 4030, 80 hp, diesel, runs great, good tires, 3 pt. hitch, dual remote hydraulics, synco-range 8 spd. trans., 4-post canopy, \$8900

obo. Landon Richards, Greenwell Springs, 70739; (225) 658-0357 or (225) 939-6203.

(2) Farmall Super "A" tracs., (1) w/sickle mower, (1) w/pan breaking plow, \$1300/1; (1) NH hay fluffer, \$3500; 5' drag bush hog, \$300. Barbara Laing, Vivian, 71082; (318) 223-4390.

Kubota L2000 trac., approx. 25 hp. 2 wd, diesel, 3 pt. hitch, new rear tires, 1650 hrs., w/4' Howes box scraper, good cond., \$3975. Billy Esquinance, Mandeville, 70448; (985) 626-9259.

Crustbuster grain drill, \$1500; W & A 8-row hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; irrigation pumps, 6" x 8" trailer mounted, PTO driven, \$1500. Bobby Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

Ford trac. 6600, new engine, good cond., no trouble, canopy w/roll bar, \$8000. Vernon Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Ford post hole digger, 3 pt. hitch, good cond., 9" auger, 4' dept., \$150. Mary Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Shop made harrow, 8' x 4', good cond., \$150. Louise Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Bush hog disc, heavy-duty, 6' width, 3 pt. hitch, \$200. Rita Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Mohawk bush hog, 13 ½' width, heavy-duty, excel. cond., \$800. Floyd Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Farmall Super "C", excel. cond., butane or gasoline, fast hitch, 2-row planters & fertilizers, distributor mounted in front, cult. frame w/some ft., in good cond., \$1200. Judy Mitts, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

JD 3350 cab/air synchronize shift, mechanical FWD, low hrs., w/770 Great Bend self leveling loader, \$28,000. Rudy Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452.

(2) NH sq. balers, baled this season, \$800/1; (1) NH 450 sickle mower, \$1000; (1) NH 258 hay rake, \$1200; (1) IH hay rake, \$400. Buddy Laing, Vivian, 71082; (318) 223-4390.

Tiger boom mower, TrB-50C, approx. 800 hrs., \$8500; 6610 1993 Ford trac., 700 hrs., \$14,500. John Lurry, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-4475.

JD 4240 trac., good cond., 120 hp, new back tires, dual remote hydraulics, w/canopy, \$11,500. James Chenevert, Livonia, 70755; (225) 637-3594.

Ford 3000, very good cond., never slept outside, low hrs., \$4500; (3) 1086 used trac. tires, no holes, \$450/all. G. Leger, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-3344 or (337) 945-5158.

1086 Int., excel. cond., w/Walden blade, good rubber, \$7500; 10' Ryno screeder approx. 5 yrs., \$3500. Glen Leger, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-3344 or (337) 945-5158.

NH 855 auto wrap, \$2200; NH 853 elec. tie, \$3000, or trade for cattle or old dozer. Ricky Bell, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-6259.

Int. 464, 28" rear wheel & spacer to make duals, w/hardware,

\$125; JD AR restored, \$3700. Gerald Davis, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7652.

JD 4240, w/loader, needs trans. work, \$8000; JD 4040, w/loader, \$15,000; JD 2640, w/loader, \$15,000; JD 12' TW disc, \$1200; JD 350 manure spreader, \$2000. Jim Pittman, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-3148 or (985) 375-5374.

Vermeer hay baler, model 554, XL series, rolled less than 100 rolls, kept under shed, \$13,500; 8-wheel caddy rake, \$1850. Clifton Wells, Jr., Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-2853.

Case DH-4 trencher, backhoe, \$4500, cash. Gary Williams, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-7070

David Brown 880 trac., 45 hp, diesel, runs great, new back tire, good front tire, w/5' bush hog & 7' garden blade, \$4500. Ralph Caillier, Sr., Breaux Bridge, 75017; (337) 228-7108.

JD combine 7720, w/918 header, \$6000; grain cart, 100 bbl, \$3000; groover, 18' x 36", \$3000; Int. field cult., \$2000; JD planter 7100, 9-row, \$750; Kongskilde Triple K, 21', \$1000. Jeff Leonards, Branch, 70516; (337) 783-9254.

Gehl 1400 rd. baler, 4' x 4' bales, good cond., \$3000; Ford 5000 tall trac., good cond., \$5500. Sal Mistretta, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-9224.

6600 Ford trac., good cond., \$10,500. Richard Freeman, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-2490.

Vicon 5' disc mower, used very little, new cond., 105 hrs., \$2700. Eugene Baudouin, Hahnville, 70057; (985) 783-2229.

684 Int. trac., good cond., 634 NH rd. baler, like new, baled less than 100 bales, \$10,000/both. Laura Jenkins, Pine Prairie, 70576; (337) 599-2900.

Int. Farmall cub trac., totally restored, mint cond., w/bush hog, in need of repair, \$1995. Lynn Singleton, Greensburg, 70441; (225) 222-6136.

MF 1130 120 hp trac., dual wheel, \$5800; Fiat Allis model 65, motor grader, small size, good cond., \$10,000. Don Kent, Fluker, 70436; (985) 748-9418 or (985) 748-7789.

Pull-type shredder, 8' w/hydraulics, good cond., \$300. Gerald Cox, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4473.

6-row Chattanooga crop maker cult., \$425; 6-row Barrentine harrow, 3 pt. hitch, w/fenders, \$200; 6-row Taylor cult., 3 pt. hitch, w/fenders, \$450; 6-row Glenco cult., w/gauge wheels, \$450; 5' pasture cutter, 3 pt. hitch, \$275; 6-row Afco Flame cult., \$250.. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania, 71286; (318) 552-6265.

Super "C" Int. trac., w/drag bush hog, \$1000; 9N Ford trac., w/bush hog, needs carburetor work, \$2000; D17 Allis Chalmers trac., injection pump, needs work, \$400; Dauy air compressor, 3 cyl. JD 135 cpm, \$1800. Shawna Harper, Sieper, 71472; (318) 793-4285.

Ford industrial front loader series 720 S/N 1228, fits Ford 4000 diesel, \$350; Speedex trac., 16 hp, B & S engine, w/46" belly mower,

\$450. Donald Faulk, Sulphur, 70664; (337) 527-5524.

MF 240 trac., 41 hp, w/MF 232 front-end loader, less than 900 hrs., \$11,500. Bill Pellerin, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 445-3713.

New heavy-duty ditch pump, 12" intake, 10" exhaust, \$3200. Robert Gary, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-4005.

MF 240 trac., w/MF 232 frontend loader, 1994 model, \$11,500; 5' bush hog & 5' disc, \$500/1; new trac. canopy, \$150. A. P. Douzart, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 449-1348.

IH 1460 combine w/mudhog & Chev. box truck, '82 model, \$6000; JD 4020 diesel trac., \$4000. Murry Guillory, Church Point, 70525; (337) 457-2421.

Case 1175 trac., w/front-end loader, needs paint, \$6000. Gordon Laseter, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 288-1672.

8 sq. bale accumulator & Holscher bale loader, for front-end loader, like new cond., great for 1-man operation, \$3000 obo. Ben Young, Zachary, 70791; (225) 445-4214 or (225) 654-3264.

JD 530 hay baler, for salvage, \$1000 obo. J. Young, Zachary, 70791; (225) 445-4214 or (225) 654-3264.

6-Row Barrentine harrow, 3 pt. hitch, good, \$200; 6-row Chattanooga cropmaker cult., good, \$425. Michael Bradley, Transylvania, 71286; (318) 552-7718

4' finishing mower, 3 pt. hitch, great shape, \$600. Melissa Henry, Patterson, 70392; (985) 395-6015.

7' **Sidewinder** bush hog, needs deck work, will demonstrate on trac., \$300. Roger Maduell, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5596.

Ford 3600, runs good, low hrs., \$5000 obo; auger 6' & 9", \$400. Pat Burmaster, Mandeville, 70470; (985) 796-5123.

Rice cart, w/tarp, 75 barrel, hyd. driven, \$900. Arnold Theris, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 536-7869.

2000 NH 3010, 85 hrs., w/heavyduty, 5' bush hog, \$14,000. Dewayne Richards, Eros, 71238; (318) 249-2513.

Vermeer 605C 5 x 6 baler, new belts, stored in barn, \$2000. Paul Breaux, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-2342

New pin & bushings for D-5 or 750 JD, \$2500; complete set track for Cat 22" pad, \$3500; 850 Case loader, for parts, \$2500; Ford trac. 5000, for parts, \$1500 obo. Bruce Kyzar, Hammond, 70403; (985) 542-4848.

CM 165, used part of (3) seasons, good cond., shed kept, \$2000. A. L. Hunter, Anacoco, 71403; (337) 286-5273.

NH baler, used very little, \$11,000. Lavern King, Sun, 70463; (985) 886-3284.

JD 620, new paint, engine overhaul, p/s, 3 pt. hitch, excel. cond., \$3500. F. A. Lavespere, Pineville, 71360: (318) 442-3018.

JD4640 cab/air, pump, tanks & racks, p/s, quick hitch, \$16,000; 400 bu Caldwell grain cart, \$1500; 500 bu Rayne Plane grain cart, \$500; 854 Int. corn head, \$1500; (2) drain cleaners, \$200/1; 6-row W & A Doall, \$1500; 12-row spray

rig, \$500; 1100-gal. stainless steel nurse tank, on wheels, \$1200. Dale Moreau, Port Barre, 70577; (225) 673-9797 or (225) 937-6878.

Int. 966 trac., 100 hp, w/frontend loader, runs good, needs paint, \$5000. Malcolm Griffith, Jamestown, 71045; (318) 894-2868.

5540 Heston rd. baler, \$500; Int. 1066 trac., good cond., \$6000. E. C. Meyers, Jr., Harrisonburg, 71340; (318) 744-5227.

JD 630 disc, 16' wide, excel. cond., \$4100. Chuck Ingraffia, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-3764.

(2) 1966 530 Case diesels; 4' grader blade; middle buster; dirt scoop; IH 300 utility, selling due to health, \$5000/all. Ben Brown, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5870.

P-Z hay cutter model 265, excel. cond., \$1000; 9' & 7' hay cutter, Marangon (New Holland) all '99 models, \$4000 & \$3000. Craig Gremillion, Plaucheville, 71362; (318) 922-3719 or (318) 876-3401.

#12 Cole planter/fertilizer unit, (4) different planter plates & gears, w/papers on unit, excel. cond., \$250. Rodney Breaux, Sugartown, 70652; (337) 328-8472 or Texas (409) 755-1470.

MF 205, 18 hp diesel, 1700 hrs., w/5' grooming mower, excel. shape, \$6000. J. M. Browning, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3627.

Int. 806 trac., new tires & seat, runs good, \$4800. Paul Harrison, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7780.

530 JD rd. baler, w/monitor, good cond., \$7000. Larry Schmidt, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 462-3769 or (337) 462-2374.

4020 JD, console hyd. w/2 remotes, recent overhauled rearend, frt. axle bushings, clutch, new paint, \$12,000; 590 Allied Ldr. avail.; 260 Long external hyd. p/s, live PTO, good cond., \$4950. Duane Smith, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 462-2374.

Mitsubishi, MT372D, 15 PTO hp, w/front-end loader, 4 wd select, 2 cyl. diesel, w/bush cutter, Woods mower & box blade, \$4800. Ron Ortego, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-0927.

Case backhoe, for parts or repair, was operating, clutch slipping, gas engine, \$1750; Bush Hog brand 14', 3 pt. hitch bush hog, 1000 rpm, field ready, \$1500. J. M. Browning, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3627.

5' Kubota 3 pt. tiller, good cond., ready to use, \$600. Rev. Howard Doucet, Iota, 70543; (337) 824-3852.

240 MF diesel, 40 hp, great cond., \$10,000; MF diesel, 55 hp, \$8000; 2-row cult. ideal for garden, hooks to 3 pt. hitch, \$250. Ernest Webb, Choudrant, 71227; (318) 768-2685.

41 Rayne Plane land leveler, excel. cond., \$7000; (2) grain tanks, 6,500 bushel cap., included dryer, blower Bazooka sweep auger, \$7000. Ray Lemoine, Plaucheville, 71362; (318) 922-3465 or (318) 922-3975.

MF 3165, 60 hp, \$4500. Donnie Irey, Rosepine, 70659; (337) 463-3019.

6' Rhino bush hog, model SE6, 3 pt. hitch, \$500. Ronnie

Duplantis, Houma, 70363; (985) 594-5065.

Hay cutter, PZ 7'2", like new, used very little, \$3000. Lawrence Fontenot, Reeves, 70658; (337) 666-2798.

IH cub, yellow & white, w/42" Woods belly mower, excel. cond., \$2750. R. C. Forbes, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-2270.

PZ 165 cutter, \$500; PZ 210 cutter, \$200; NH 256 self propelled/side delivery rake, \$250; PZ hay fluffer, \$200; 10' Woods bush hog, needs minor repair, \$400. Ricky Lester, Covington, 70435; (985) 892-3363.

JD 4020 p/shift, \$7500; JD 375 rd. baler, w/feed wheels, \$3500; NH 849 rd. baler, \$2900; NH 845 rd. baler, \$1600; NH 281 sq. baler, \$850; IH 430 sq. baler, \$450; NH 256 rake, \$800. R. Coldiron, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 339-7876.

(2) PZ fluffers, (1) working, (1) for parts, many extra things, \$200/both. Lawrence Andrus, Independence, 70443; (985) 878-6624.

12' Bush Hog brand used bush hog, ready to go, \$1200. Francis Travis, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 795-0412.

1988 JD 450G dozer, sweeps, screens, winch, wide track, 1500 original hours, forestry package, \$24,000. Jeff Neely, Merryville, 70653; (337) 825-6560.

(2) Square balers, MF & Ford, used last yr., need some repairs, \$500/both. Marie Smith, Roseland, 70456; (985) 748-5779.

Wanted: (1) set of 1-row or 2-row hippers or choppers, w/or w/o bar, 3 pt. only. Glen Leger, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-3344 or (337) 945-5158.

Wanted: 15' batwing shredder, excel. cond., no more than 3 or 4 yrs. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: JD 6400-7410 cab/air trac. & 15' bush hog. Fred Lucky, Bossier, 71112; (318) 747-1873.

Wanted: model "B" Allis Chalmers trac., in running cond. Bob Legnon, Jeanerette, 70544; (337) 276-5840.

Wanted: front-end loader, for David Brown 995, 1977 model; 8 spd. trans. & rear-end for Ford 5000. Elvin Thibodeaux, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3927.

Wanted: red Farmall cub trac. for parts & H Farmall trac. for parts, motor must run. Marion Stewart, Vidalia, 71373; (318) 336-7815.

Wanted: fertilizer hopper for Farmall cub trac. Duncan Smith, Jonesboro, 71251; (318) 259-8404.

Wanted: hay cutter, Taarup brand, 5'5' manual lift, model M204, in working cond., or parts. Clint Worsham, Many, 71449; (318) 256-2233 or (318) 256-3356.

TRAILERS, WAGONS & EQUIPMENT

1999 S & H big 2-horse bumper pull, excel. cond., \$2400. Lisa Topham, Patterson, 70392; (985) 399-6879.

24' Gooseneck cattle trailer, good floor, needs fender & cut gate

work, \$750 obo. Ben Young, Zachary, 70791; (225) 445-4214 or (225) 654-3264.

1991 S & H Thundercloud 2-horse trailer (blue) bumper pull, no rust excel. cond., \$2000; 66" House grater box, \$500. M. Duke, Ventress, 70783; (225) 618-2483.

1994 S & H 3-horse gooseneck trailer, new paint, new tires, new treated floor, large dressing room, separate saddle compartment, very good cond., \$3800. Ronnie Borer, Walker, 70785; (225) 667-7415.

40' x 8' x 8' cotton trailer, HD good cond., \$475; (2) 24' **x** 8' **x** 6' cotton trailers, good, \$425/1; 1000-gal. A. A. tank on 4-wheel trailer, \$395. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania, 71286; (318) 552-6255.

Trailer, built on truck wheels, 8' x 16', w/lights, very good cond., good tires, \$1200. James Sisson, Grayson, 71435; (318) 649-7684.

36' Equip. gooseneck trailer, w/(2) 10,000 lb. axles & good tires, dove tail, \$3500. Glen Leger, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-3344 or (337) 945-5158.

Heavy-duty homemade farm trailer, 8' x 16', chassis in good cond., usable, \$250. Vernon Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

In-line 2-horse trailer, \$1200 nego. Dallas Camel, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-4477.

24' Falcon gooseneck, 10K axle flatbed trailer, elec. brakes, 10' deck over neck, (2) spare tires & 4' side rails, \$5500; 19' Falcon gooseneck car/hauler dovetail, w/ramps & elec. brakes, \$1800. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586

Homemade gooseneck trailers, (1) 20' stock, (1) tilt flatbed, 22', \$1600/1; heavy-duty ramps, \$200; gooseneck trailer hitch, \$100. Tommy Thiels, Monroe, 71202; (318) 348-0360.

JD wagon for horse, lots of extra parts, good cond., \$700. Walter Bordelon, Morreauville, 71355; (318) 997-2553.

18' Gooseneck utility trailer, \$900; 16' gooseneck metal stock trailer, w/saddle/feed compartment, \$2000. Doris Neill, Deville, 71328; (318) 466-3834.

16" Hale gooseneck cover (stock trailer) needs new floor, \$650. R. G. Prize, Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5645.

8' x 16' Tandem axle trailer, w/all steel bed, bumper hitch tongue, \$750. U. L. Bordelon, Mansura, 71350; (318) 253-5190.

Heavy-duty 16' x 8' steel bed, dbl. axle, 8000 lb. wench, \$750; 12' x 6' all steel, \$675. Ben Brown, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5870.

Stock trailer, 2002, heavy-duty, 16', wide inside, bumper pull, treated flooring, inside lighting, spare tire, heavy axles, buddy bearings, \$3950. R. LaBorde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4566.

Shuttler Iron wheel, horsedrawn wagon, (1) or (2) horse, w/new bed, excel. cond., \$1200. Steven Tingle, Trout, 71371; (318) 992-7486.

1984 Hanover gooseneck stock trailer, 16', good cond., \$2000. Margie Calderone, Bush, 70431; (985) 886-0507 or (985) 516-6100.

Harsh 303 mixer wagon, \$1000. Paul Harrison, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7780.

Buckboard wagon, for parts, \$225. Mitchel Daire, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-7108.

Wanted: 18' or 20' long low boy trailer, bumper pull, 6000-7000 lb. axles. Loyton Courville, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3758.

Wanted: 3 or 4 horse slant load aluminum gooseneck trailer, w/moderate living quarters or dressing room, must be in good cond., will consider metal. Ed Durr, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5556.

Wanted: stock (horse) trailer, metal top & front w/open sides, bumper pull, decent cond. Debbie Cope, Gibson, 70356; (985) 575-8333.

Wanted: 6' x 12' Utility trailer, w/or w/o gate. Steven Richard, Welsh, 70591; (337) 734-3359.



1983 S-10 V6, light blue blazer, auto trans., a/c, \$2250. James Sisson, Grayson, 71435; (318) 649-7684.

1993 Ford L 7000, 5.9 Cummins, auto, a/c, 24' box w/lift gate & side door, \$10,500. Christiansen, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7235.

1969 Chevy 1-ton flatbed, AT, p/s, p/b, good tires, in good cond., \$3500. Alvin Berry, Grayson, 71435; (318) 649-5021.

1979 Ford F-250 truck, completely rebuilt 400 engine, 4 spd. standard trans., good tires, gooseneck hookup, runs great, make good farm truck, \$800. Ike Nichols, Kinder, 70648; (337) 639-2140.

1981 Chevrolet rice truck, very good cond., has lift, ready to go, must see to appreciate, \$4000. Shane Trahan, Thornwell, 70549; (337) 587-2223.

Pipe rack, off Ford truck, \$100; hydraulic tailgate lift, 1250 lb. cap., 66" wide, \$500; camper shell, \$50. A. P. Douzart, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 449-1348.

1978 Mack, 20,000 lb. front-end, w/3rd axle, 21 yard dump bed, \$14,000; 1994 Peterbilt, Cummings engine, daycab, excel. cond., blk., \$18,500. Rickey Thibodeaux, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-8952.

1962 Chevy C-60 grain truck, 16', Greenbuilt metal box, good tires & brakes, runs good, used last season, \$1500 obo. S. Trahan, Thornwell, 70549; (337) 587-2223.

1994 F-150 XLT extended cab, excel. cond., bedliner, gooseneck & bumper hitches, toolbox, 140,000 miles, \$4500. Irv Keller, Covington, 70435; (985) 893-5324.

1982 Dodge pickup, LWB, 318, auto, 90% rubber, clean w/p/u cover (Leer), \$1600, firm. Ben Brown, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5870.

1993 Isuzu pickup ext. cab, 5 spd., a/c, 4-new tires, burns no oil,

\$3000. Harvey Moore, Pitkin, 70456; (318) 358-5314.

1978 GMC 6500 dump truck, 6 yds., 366 gas, 5 spd. trans., 2 spd. rear, good tires, \$2000 obo. Stanley Prejean, Eunice, 70535; (337) 546-6162.

4' x 8' x 16' Grain bed, w/custom made tarp, excel. cond., \$450. Cilton Tingle, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-2735.

6.9 or 7.3 injector pump, \$250; set 8 injectors, \$150; (2) 6.9 cyl. heads, \$250/1; rebuildable block, w/heads, free. M. J. Atkinson, Batchelor, 70715; (225) 718-4735.

IH flatbed dump truck, gas, 5 x 2, 22,000 miles, \$5500; 14' flatbed dump body, for 2-ton truck, w/all hydraulics, \$1250. J. M. Browning, Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-3627.

1988 F-350 7.3 diesel, 206,000 miles, w/flatbed & tool boxes, new injectors & injector pump, rear end & clutch & under carriage bushings, \$3500. Patrick Lemaire, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-9042.

'77 Peterbilt, 400 Cummins, excel. cond., \$11,500. Beiber Farms, Mamou, 70554; (337) 468-4490.

FARM & LIVSTOCK SUPPLIES

Dump scale, for weighing grain, 360-600 lb. cap. per minute, \$100; wooden cattle self-feeders, on skids, 2000 & 4000 lb. cap., never used, \$385 & \$675. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6088.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, 40° rd. pen, \$525; 50° rd. pen, \$625; 60° rd. pen, \$775; all include 4° bow gate. Michael Passman, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5094.

1500-Gal. diesel fuel tank, \$800 obo. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

110-Gal. chem. tank, good, \$45. A. J. Bradley, Transylvania, 71286; (318) 552-6265.

Milking machine, w/S. S. pots, \$500. John Nugent, Pollock, 71467; (318) 827-5812.

Cast iron plantation bell, complete, 18", \$60; 36 qt. jambalaya pot, cast iron, w/lid, \$183. Henry Smith, Covington, 70433; (985) 892-0460.

Round pen, constructed of fiberglass material, each panel is 5' x 12', 50' round pen, w/o bow gate, \$995; add panels as needed for, \$77/1. Larry Fontenot, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-0629.

Fiberglass farm gates, \$73/10'; \$79/12'. Deb Fontenot, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-0629.

50-Gal. spray rig, good cond., \$1500. Glen Leger, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 948-3344 or (337) 945-5158.

Troy Bilt tiller (pony) like new, \$600; pressure washer, 1750 psi, like new, used very little, \$200. Lester Guillotte, Metairie, 70001; (504) 835-2655.

(3) Rice dryer bins, to be moved, \$8000. Marie Tate, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6150.

Okra & green onion cutters, motorized electric, 1 left, \$400;

also hand operated okra cutters, \$90-\$120. Franklin Courvelle, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Used Hereford saddle, good shape, \$400. Steve Thompson, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5725.

Several used metal gates, 12'-16' long, 4' high, some in good shape, otherS usable, \$20-\$40/1. Denise Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

Used metal fence "T" model, 6 ½' long, \$1/1. Chenelle Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877

Old Antique vise handle, side mount on top post or bench, good cond., \$125; (2) old antique crosscut saws, \$100/1. Lassie Birdwell, Marthaville, 71450; (318) 472-8877.

500-Gal. fiberglass tank, 3 yrs., used for watering pecan trees, excel. cond., \$300. Larry Leonard, Ventress, 70783; (225) 638-6526.

Old cypress wood, 4 x 4 x 10, mostly one by wood, \$500 obo; heavy-gauge storm fence, w/most pieces, approx. 250', \$500 obo. Walter Dugas, Brusly, 70719; (225) 749-8986 w_dugas@yahoo.com.

Kohler engine, 2-cyl. elec. start 20 hp, w/clutch, good cond., can be used on many things, \$500. Robert Ollie, Metairie, 70005; (504) 834-9545.

Sawmill, 2001 Accutrack MP-30, comes w/all tools, extra blades, on wheels, \$6000, firm; selling due to poor health, 7 x 57 deer rifle, \$150. Ben Brown, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5870.

Antique disc, drag type, excel. shape, \$200 obo. Herman Fontenot, Mittie, 70654; (337) 328-8607.

6" x 15" x 20' Creosoted bridge timbers, real good cond. & straight, \$30/1. J. Berlin, Pineville, 71360; (318) 445-0600.

Clausing metal turning lathe, 17" swing, 8' bed, motor wired for 220 or 480 3 p.h., tail stock, steady rest, some tooling, Aloris quick change tool holder, \$3800, nego. Abrose Baharn, Loranger, 70446; (985) 345-3262.

Cattle guard 9' x 12', \$475; grooming chute, excel. cond., folds for easy storage, \$250. Simpson Neal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-

Panel gates, 4' wide, galv., w/mounting brackets & sliding latches, \$20/1. Roger Maduell, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5596.

Used pipe for construction, 2 3/8", \$22/jt.; 2 7/8", \$26/jt.; 1 ½", \$18/jt.; 1 ½", \$20/jt; 7 5/8", \$5.6/ft; 9 5/8", \$6.95/ft. Terry Brasseaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8462.

Cattle guard, 8' x 15', all rail construction, very heavy, \$350. Bruce Donnell, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8678.

Metal building, red iron, 60° x 135° x 12, original price, \$12,000, sell for, \$8000. Betty Brumley, Springhill, 71075; (318) 539-4278.

Heavy iron feeding trough, 1 ½' wide, 6' long, 2' high, \$40. Cary Bastian, Indian Bayou, 70578; (337) 334-8683.

Assorted English tack, stirrups, leathers, seat-saver saddle cushion, saddle pad, reins, martingale, \$10-\$15/1; full leather chaps, medium, never worn, \$50. Debby

Sharbaugh, Ethel, 70722; (225) 683-4919 or (225) 937-0540.

Lincoln Ranger 8 portable welder, 16 hp Onan, 150 leads, excel. cond., ac/dc w/8000 watt power, \$1750. Gordon Smith, Colfax, 71417; (318) 627-5476.

New corral panels, 5 x 10, \$40; 4' walk-thru gate, \$75; 6' walk-thru gate, \$95; 50' rd. pen, w/4' walk-thru gate, \$675. Carl Barlow, Pride, 70770; (225) 603-5610.

6" Schedule 40 metal pipe, perfect for fences, corrals, sheds, etc., \$2.5/ft., del. avail. Malcolm Allen, Mamou, 70554; (337) 523-6254.

34 Lima crawler crane, 65' boom, 15' jib, ³/₄ yd. bucket, \$5500; 2500 lb. drop hammer, filer block, no leads, \$500; 400 Vulcan extractor, \$3500. David Queenan, Lake Charles, 70605; (337) 478-9307.

3' x 7' **Drag**, w/teeth on bottom, made w/ 2 3/8 tubing, built on 3 pt. hitch, good for rd. pens or arenas, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 652-6200.

"Big Horn" blk. parade saddle, 15" seat, lots of silver & tappaderos, matching silver, breast collar, very good cond., \$450; youth saddle w/bridle, good cond., \$140. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5556.

2 3/8" Tubing, $75 \oint /ft.$; 2 7/8" tubing, $80 \oint /ft.$; 3 ½" tubing, $90 \oint /ft.$; 7" casing, \$5/ft.; 8 5/8" casing, \$6/ft. Gene Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

(3) New Ox yokes, complete w/bows & hardware, (10) halters, graduated sizes for training steers, 150-900 lbs. apiece, training videos, booklets, \$500/all. Frank Boggs, Jr., Sugartown, 70662; (337) 328-7425.

FROM THE FARM

Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm.

Goat milk soap, handmade, skin soothing, many varieties, all natural ingredients, \$4/5-6 oz. bar. Kathleen Matte, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7130.

(12) Antique wooden slat schoolhouse folding type chairs, \$10/1. Betty Robin, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Bat houses, four, five & six chamber houses, all 24" tall, made of cedar or cypress, \$60/1-up, depending on size. B. Smith, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-6622.

(15) New bushel baskets \$26.25; (15) new peck baskets, w/handles, \$19.50; (7) half bushel baskets, new, \$9.18. James Sisson, Grayson, 71435; (318) 649-7684.

Wanted: used elec. stove, must be in working cond. & elec. Mary Williams, Baton Rouge, 70806; (225) 342-5812 or (225) 927-6431.

Wanted: old time pitcher pump for shallow well, does not need to be working. Wayne Talbot, Brusley, 70719; (225) 749-9659.

Wanted: Cushman Eagle motor scooter, that can be restored. David Devine, Boyce, 71409; (318) 442-3761

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

National Little Britches Finals Rodeo will be held in Colorado Springs, Colo., July 27 - Aug. 2, at the Penrose stadium. For more information, contact Pat McBride at (337) 463-8962 or Bobbie Darbonne at (337) 762-3931.

The Livingston Horse Show Association will host horse shows August 9 through November 1, at the Southpark Arena in Denham Springs. Shows begin promptly at 9 a.m. For more information, contact DeLois Senez at (225) 664-3150 or JoLynn Allen at (225) 685-0335.

The Big Butt Trailride is scheduled for July 11-13 near Lettsworth. Cost of the ride is \$8

for adults and \$4 for children. Wagons are welcome. For more information, contact R. L. Giamanco at (225) 718-0405 or A.G. Sparacino at (225) 492-3244.

Other Fairs and Festivals:
Cajun French Music & Food
Festival, Lake Charles, July 19 &
20; Satchmo Summer Fest, New
Orleans, July 31 - Aug. 3;
Delcambre Shrimp Festival &
Fair, Delcambre, Aug. 13 - 17;
LeCajun Festival & Awards
Show, Lafayette, Aug. 15-17;
Gueydan Duck Festival,
Gueydan, Aug. 28 - 31; La.
Shrimp & Petroleum Festival,
Morgan City, Aug. 28 - Sept. 1.

Researchers work to stop aflatoxin in corn

LSU AgCenter researchers are looking for novel ways to stop aflatoxin, a corn-destroying fungus that ripped through the state's corn crop in 1998 and annually threatens farmers with large-scale economic harm.

Dr. Steve Moore of the AgCenter's Dean Lee Research Station in Alexandria and Dr. Rick Mascagni of the AgCenter's Northeast Research Station in St. Joseph hope their latest research project aimed at that goal bears significant fruit.

The concept is to use non-toxic strains of the A. flavus mold – a naturally occurring mold that produces aflatoxin as a dangerous byproduct – to protect corn from serious damage, especially during dry, hot growing seasons.

South Louisiana's hot, droughty conditions help aflatoxin spread. That resulted in a lethal combination of factors that led to millions of dollars in damages to the state's corn crop five years ago when 70 percent or more of the state's corn crop was infected.

Now, AgCenter researchers and scientists in other states are hoping they may be working toward the magic bullet to protect corn. The latest advances were among topics discussed during he AgCenter's Northeast Research Station Field Day June 12.

Topics covered during the field day included irrigation tips, advances in pest management and advice on the best-yielding corn hybrids on the market.

In corn research, the possible salvation for growers could be one or more non-toxic cousins of the aflatoxin fungus, according to researchers.

Moore and Mascagni, working in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, began the latest project just three weeks ago. They have taken wheat seed inoculated with non-toxic A. flavus mold and spread it in test plots at both the Dean Lee Research Station and in St. Joseph.

Similar tests with various strains

of non-toxic A. flavus mold are taking place in other states, including Georgia, Moore said.

Here's what happens:

First, wheat seed laced with nontoxic A. flavus mold is spread by hand in a corn field at a rate of 10 pounds per acre, Moore said. Researchers suggest introducing the wheat seed when young corn plants are roughly 30 inches tall. The nontoxic fungus then spreads and, if all goes well, squeezes the toxic aflatoxin out of the corn plant.

"Some of the non-toxic strains of A. flavus are very aggressive fungi and they out-compete the aflatoxin on the corn ear. They occupy all the infection points," said Moore, a corn specialist with the AgCenter. The cost of the treated wheat seed is likely in the \$5-\$6 per acre range, he added.

Typical infection points are cracks in a corn ear caused by drought and high temperatures or openings caused by insect damage.

Moore and Mascagni are using sterilized wheat seed treated with two separate non-toxic strains of the A. flavus mold. The non-toxic mold produces spores, which are wind blown or rain splattered onto the corn.

"We have to see to what extent this reduces aflatoxin in corn. It's a promising technology, and if it works, it could become almost immediately available," Moore said.

Aflatoxin is considered potentially harmful in food at rates as low as 20 parts per billion. But researchers in Arizona have reported reducing the rate of aflatoxin in cotton by as much as 90 percent in recent related studies.

The aflatoxin fungus differs from many other fungi in that it doesn't need cool, wet weather to grow. Instead, it thrives in high temperatures that shut down most other fungi, Moore said.

"Drought stress also aids the spread of aflatoxin, because dry weather puts stress on the corn kernel itself, and causes little fissures and cracks. Those become infection points," Moore said.



Family Reunion Favorites

Tuscan Grilled Summer Vegetables

1 (1 pound) eggplant, sliced into 2" thick rounds

1 white (1/2 pound) eggplant, sliced into 2" thick rounds

2 summer squash, cut into 2" thick slices lengthwise

2 zucchini, cut into 2" thick slices, lengthwise

2 patty pan squash, cut into 2" thick slices lengthwise

1 tablespoon Kosher salt

3 large ripe tomatoes, cut into 2" thick slices

1 yellow bell pepper, seeded deveined, cut into 2" wide slices, lengthwise

1 red bell pepper, seeded, deveined, cut into 2" wide slices, lengthwise

1 medium red onion, peeled, sliced into 1/2" thick rounds

1 cup coarsely chopped basil

2 cups Tuscan Marinade

(continued at right)

1/3 cup red wine

1/3 cup olive oil

2 cloves minced garlic

1 tablespoon grated orange rind

1/2 cup minced age leaves

1/4 cup minced rosemary

1 tablespoon black peppercorns, crushed

Fried Chicken

2 1/2 pounds broiler fryer chicken

1/2 cup all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon salt 1 teaspoon paprika 1/4 teaspoon pepper

Vegetable oil

Combine all marinade ingredients in glass bowl. Refrigerate in an air tight container for up to 3 days. Place eggplant, zucchini and squash in a colander. Add salt. Toss and set aside to drain for 30 minutes. Rinse, pat dry and place into a large shallow glass or ceramic dish. Add remaining vegetables and basil. Cover with marinade. Refrigerate 8 hours, turning once. Grill over hot coals until tender, about 5 to 10 minutes each side.

Cut chicken into pieces; cut each breast half into halves. Mix flour, salt, paprika, and pepper. Coat chicken with flour mixture. Heat oil (1/4) inch) in 12-inch skillet. Cook chicken in oil over medium heat until light brown, 15 to 20 minutes. Reduce heat. Cover tightly and simmer, turning once or twice until thickest pieces are done, 30 to 40 minutes.

If skillet cannot be covered tightly, add 1 to 2 tablespoons water.

Remove cover during last 5 minutes of cooking to crisp chicken.

Marinated Corn Salad

1 3/4 cup yellow corn, cut from cob (about 4 ears) 1/2 cup chopped celery

2 tbls. thinly sliced green onions

3 tbls. vegetable oil 1/2 tsp. salt

1/8 tsp. pepper

1/4 cup water

1/2 small green pepper, cut

into 1/2" strips

1 tbls. chopped pimiento

1 tbls. chopped fresh parsley

1 tbls. cider vinegar

1/2 tsp. dry mustard

Combine corn and water in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil; cover, reduce heat and simmer 7 to 8 minutes or just until corn is tender; drain. Combine corn, green pepper, celery, pimiento, green onions and parsley. Combine oil, vinegar, salt, mustard and pepper in a jar. Cover tightly; shake vigorously. Pour over salad; cover and chill 4 hours.

Eggplant Fingers

2 (1-pound) egg plants

Oil for deep fat frying

2 cups milk

2 cups flour

2 1/2 cups fresh bread crumbs

Powdered sugar

Peel egg plants and cut into 1/2-inch strips. Heat oil to 375 degrees. Dip egg plant into milk, then flour, milk again, then bread crumbs. Deep fry, drain completely until no trace of oil appears on paper towel. Serve with powdered sugar.

Blueberries 'n Cheese Coffeecake

1/2 cup margarine 1 1/4 cup sugar

3/4 cup milk

2 eggs

1/4 cup water

2 1/4 cup flour

2 cups fresh Louisiana blueberries

1 (8 oz.) package cream cheese, cubed

1 tablespoon baking powder 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel

1 teaspoon salt (optional)

Beat margarine and sugar until light and fluffy. Add eggs, one at a time, mixing well after each addition. Add combined 2 cups flour, baking powder and salt alternately with combined milk and water, mixing well after each addition. Toss blueberries with remaining flour; fold into batter with cream cheese and peel. Pour into greased and floured 13"x 9" baking pan. (follow directions for topping and baking at right)

Topping

Tuscan Marinade

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup flour

1 teaspoon grated lemon peel

tablespoons margarine

Combine sugar, flour and peel; cut in margarine until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Sprinkle over batter. Bake at 375 degrees for 1 hour. Cool. Sprinkle with powdered sugar before serving.

Coming Your Way

Trail ride in Aug.

The Louisiana Purchase El Camino Real trail ride will take place Aug. 31 through Sept. 13 beginning in Vidalia and ending near Many at the Pendelton Bridge.

Trailboss for the ride is Murle Cheatwood. Nightly stops include Jonesville, Jena, Tullos, Winnfield, Clarence, Natchitoches, Robeline and Many.

For more information, contact Murle and Diane Cheatwood at (318) 576-3274.

Rice Arena events

The Acadia Rice Arena in Crowley is hosting three horse events in July.

On July 12, the Acadiana Amateur Timed Events Association will open books at 4 p.m. and begin events at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Tommy Smith at (337) 369-6112.

On July 18, the Acadiana Cutting Horse American Association will have an evening show at 6 p.m. For more information, contact Billy Haristy at (337) 783-5868.

Only July 19, the LACHA Cutting Horse Association will have morning practice at 8 a.m. and regular activities at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Liz Romero at (337) 856-0236.

The Acadia Rice Arena is located at 159 Cherokee Drive in Crowley.

LJSC announces July showdowns

The Louisiana Junior Show Circuit (LJSC) has announced the dates for its July Cajun Summer Showdown events.

On July 11, the group will be in Coushatta for the Red River Classic at the Red River Parish Fairgrounds.

On July 19, the group moves to Delhi for the World Classic Show at the Delhi Livestock Show Barn, and July 26-27 they will be in Shreveport for the Northwest Louisiana Summer Show and the Shreveport Mid Summer Classic.

Pigs weigh in from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m. and the show begins at 10 a.m. Lambs and goats weigh in from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and the show begins immediately following the

All LJSC members will accumulate points for the end of the year awards banquet.

There are no weight requirements for any animal. Entry fees are \$15 for market and \$5 for showmanship.

For more information, contact Carla Guillory at (337) 478-8461 or Angie Newman at (337) 582-7695 or visit the LJSC Web site at www.ljsc.org.

Send Coming Your Way items to marketbulletin@ Idaf.state.la.us



News around the nation

Agriculture & Forestry issues from across the 50 states

Fla. study shows feral cats threaten small mammals

With four million to six million unwanted animals - mostly cats put to sleep each year in the United States, some people might consider it more humane to free the felines into the wild. But as these cats forage for food and establish their territories, they kill more than a billion small mammals and birds each year, many of which are threatened or endangered, a University of Florida study shows.

Feral, or free-roaming, untamed cats pose a serious threat to endangered species nationwide as colonies of the wild cats have grown, largely because local groups provide funding and resources to sustain them, according to the University of Florida study commissioned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

In addition, although the study found those who release cats into the wild or support feral cat colonies are violating numerous federal and state wildlife protection laws, enforcement of the laws in these cases has largely been ignored, according to the study.

"The domestic cat species is not indigenous to Florida or anywhere else in North America," said Pamela Hatley, a law student at University of Florida's Levin College of Law who conducted the study. "They impact native wildlife in three primary ways:

predation, competition, and disease."

Feral cats spread diseases rabies in particular - that can also kill wildlife, according to John wildlife Cely, biologist with the S.C. Department

of Natural Resources (DNR) Wildlife Diversity Programs. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that rabies is more than twice as common in cats as it is in dogs or cattle, and cats have the highest incidence of rabies among domestic species.

The number of feral cats in the United States is estimated to be 40 million to 60 million, said Hatley, who works with the University of Florida's Conservation Clinic, which was commissioned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to determine the applicability of federal, state and local wildlife laws to the practice of releasing cats into the wild and maintaining feral cat colonies. Compounding the problem is that another 40 million domestic cats nationwide also roam outside, hunting and killing

For example, the Lower Florida Keys marsh rabbit is a federal endangered species with a remain-



ing population of about 100 to 300. A 1999 study found free-roaming cats were responsible for 53 percent of the deaths of these rabbits in one year, and a 2002 study indicated the species could

be extinct within two or three decades

Cats also have been recognized as instinctive predators and a serious threat to the Key Largo cotton mouse, Key Largo woodrat, Choctawhatchee beach mouse, Perdido Kev beach mouse, green sea turtle, roseate tern, least tern and Florida scrub jay, she said.

"There are some 15 million cats in Florida which spend all or part of their time outside preying on wildlife," Hatley said. "It is estimated that cats kill as many as 271 million small mammals and 68 million birds each year in Florida, many of these members of threatened and endangered species."

As an alternative to euthanasia, many cat advocates believe in trap-neuter-release, or TNR, programs, in which feral cats are spayed or neutered and returned to colonies where caretakers look after them. While the programs aim to reduce wild cat populations, however, irresponsible pet owners continue to release unwanted cats that often join feral cat colonies.

In Florida, such colonies are known to exist in 17 counties. The largest, in Key Largo, may include as many as 1,000 cats, Hatley said. The TNR program in Key Largo has a budget of \$100,000.

TNR programs and managing large numbers of cats in colonies do not effectively control cat overpopulation or the predation of endangered animals, she said.

And although Hatley determined releasing cats into the wild and supporting feral cat colonies is a violation of federal laws, such as the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Endangered Species Act, enforcement of these and other state and local regulations with the same goals is rare against those who release cats or support feral colonies, she said.

The Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, for example, has left enforcement of state laws up to local governments, whose ordinances vary greatly as to what they prohibit and the fines involved. "It is essential that our state and local governments take steps to educate the public about the destructive impact of freeroaming cats on native wildlife, and strictly enforce against the release of cats into the wild," Hatley said.

W.Va. treats forest lands for gypsy moths

Commissioner of Agriculture Gus



R. Douglass, a total of 4,270 acres of forested and forested residential land has been treated in an

effort to reduce the economic impact of gypsy moths in nine counties that are part of the Cooperative State-County-Landowner (CSCL) Program.

The treated counties were Berkeley, Braxton, Grant, Hampshire, Morgan, Pendleton,

According to West Virginia Pocahontas, Upshur and Webster. This program is a cooperative

effort between the West Virginia Department of Agriculture (WVDA), USDA Forest Service (USDA-FS), West Virginia University Cooperative Extension Service (WVU-CES), county private commissions and landowners. In addition, the West Virginia Division of Forestry provides direct field assistance to the WVDA in the conduct of the spray project portion of the program. The program requires landowners to pay 57 percent of the actual cost of application and insecticide and the USDA-FS

covers the other 43 percent of this cost. The entire program is a yearlong process that culminated in a treatment project that began in

The spray block at Sutton Lake in Braxton County was an isolated infestation at a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers campground that was treated twice, 10 days apart, with the bacterial insecticide Bacillus thuringiensis var. kurstaki (Btk). The insect growth regulator Dimilin (diflubenzuron) was applied to 3,770 acres of state and private land and Btk was applied to 500 acres of federal and private land.

Del. bald eagle's nest destroyed by vandals

A bald eagle nest at Possum Point, Del., that was home to two fledglings in early May has been cut down in an act of environmental vandalism.

The Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control is offering a \$1,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of the person or persons who commited the act.

"I cannot understand what could possibly make a person want to

destroy a bald eagle nest," Del. Gov. Ruth A n Minner said. "I was shocked to



learn about this cruel and senseless act and I have instructed the Delaware Department of Natural Resources & Environmental Control to investigate this incident and locate the person responsible." "This is clearly intentional, inde-

fensible and arguably premeditated," said DNREC Secretary John A. Hughes. "I can't remember anyone in Delaware ever committing an intentional and malicious attack on a national bird. I consider this an unprecedented act of environmental desecration."

The bald eagle is on the federal Threatened Species List and the state's Endangered Species List.

Ga. stops sale of some oysters

The Georgia Department of Agriculture has stopped the sale and movement of 95 bags of oysters



at a Morrow seafood dealer due to violations of state food laws, Commissioner of Agriculture Tommy Irvin announced recently.

Department of Agriculture inspectors visited Royal Hunan Seafood of Georgia and discovered the company was selling oysters labeled only for shucking by a certified dealer. They also found some of the harvest date information on intermediate dealer tags did not match harvest date information on original tags. The oysters were also muddy and had not been

"Shellfish have very specific requirements as to how they are sold and handled," said Commissioner Irvin. "Improper handling can lead to life-threatening situations. It is imperative that health officials be able to accurately trace where oysters originate in case there is a problem in one of the harvest areas. Having an accurate chain of custody is a requirement."



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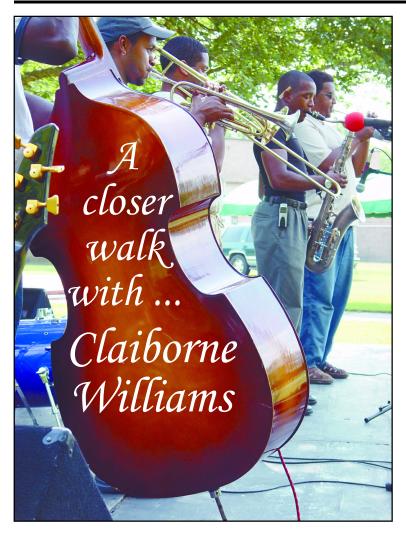
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The oldest residents of the sleepy river town of Donaldsonville may have thought it was 1922 again when blaring brass bands played into the wee hours of the morning as Michael Foster led his 7-piece band through the streets in a mock jazz funeral procession honoring the memory of early jazz great Claiborne Williams.

Foster and his Michael Foster Project were performing for the early May Heritage Days celebration honoring the cultural contribution of African-Americans to the city and surrounding area. Past Heritage Days have feted the role of the Italian and Isleno societies. Foster's concert in Louisiana Square Park featured music from be-bop to modern and other eras of jazz music

Williams, born on the Assumption Parish Valenzuela Plantation in 1868, began playing with the St. Joseph Brass Band in 1874. He started his most famous band, the Claiborne Williams Jazz Band, in 1921.

Williams remained in south Louisiana although he was among the greats of the early jazz scene, which included Louis Armstrong and Joe "King" Oliver. His band had regular gigs at the True Friends Hall in Donaldsonville and Baton Rouge's Heidelburg Hotel and Cotton Club.

After a long performance and teaching career instructing most of the Donaldsonville musicians, he died in 1952.

Heritage Day organizers unveiled and presented a granite headstone for Williams' tomb to his elderly grand-daughter, Maxine Claverie Sherman, and pupil, Elmo Claverie.

As Foster's band played a somber "A Closer Walk with Thee," Sherman, Claverie and about 100 "mourners" processed through the streets. Pausing briefly at Williams' home on Opelousas Street,

Sherman and Claverie paid their

respects to the musician's memory

as saxophonist Jordan Dixon per-

formed a sorrowful solo version of

After a short presentation at the

True Friends Hall introducing a

billboard featuring Williams and

other Louisiana jazz musicians, the

"mourners" and "second-liners"

began the joyous journey back to

Louisiana Square dancing to the

melody of "Down by the

"Amazing Grace."

Riverside."



Street will be the new site of the River Road African-American

"The elders had a chance to reminisce about Claiborne Williams and how Donaldsonville used to be. At one point there were so many brass bands in the town playing music at all hours that the city council had to regulate them," said Kathe Hambrick, director of the River Road African-American museum.

The Michael Foster Project played everything from Dixieland to modern jazz during Heritage Days in Donaldsonville (top left). Claiborne Williams' pupil, Elmo Claverie, and granddaughter, Maxine Claverie Sherman, were thrilled to unveil a granite headstone for the great musician's tomb (above). Michael Foster's "fake book" rests in the cradle of his sousaphone. LeManuel Turnipseed, trombone, and John Grey, trumpet, had several solos during the concert. Williams' biographical placard can be viewed in the River Road African-American Museum (far left). Bandleader Michael Foster poses next to Williams' headstone (left). Foster and his band took mourners and second-liners on a jazz funeral march through the streets of Donaldsonville (bottom left).

Museum.

